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SECRETARY HARRIS' VISIT TO THE USSR

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1. THERENT'YEV OF GOSSTROY GAVE SCICOUNS PARTIAL
PACKET OF ADVANCE JCM DOCUMENTS ON SEPTEMBER 12. ITINERARY
FOR JCM DELEGATION BEING SENT SEPT. WE WILL GIVE
COMPLETE PACKET TO HANCOCK UPON ARRIVAL IN MOSCOW
SEPTEMBER 15. WE ARE SENDING IN THIS TELEGRAM A
SUMMARY OF SOVIET PAPER ENTITLED "NOTES OF THE SOVIET
SIDE TO THE PROPOSALS OF THE AMERICAN SIDE," WHICH
CONCERNS THE MAJOR OPEN QUESTIONS STILL BEFORE THE JCM.

2. THEMES OF COOPERATION (APPENDIX 6 TO DRAFT PROTOCOL)
A) WORKING GROUP (WG) 10.02: THE SOVIETS PROPOSE TO RETAIN
FORMER TITLE OF THIS WG, "INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION SYSTEMS
AND UTILITIES". SOVIETS ALSO PROPOSE TO RETAIN PROJECT
1.3 "DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF LARGE RESEVOIRS, SMOKE-
STACKS, COOLING TOWERS, AND SILOS OF METAL AND
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REINFORCED CONCRETE" WITHIN THE PROGRAM OF WG 10.02.
(SCICOUNS PASSED HANCOCK LETTER CONCERNING WG 10.02
(REF) TO THERENT'YEV WHO PROMISED TO STUDY THE US
PROPOSALS AND INFORM HANCOCK OF SOVIET DECISION
BEFORE BEGINNING OF JCM.)

B) WG 10.04: SOVIETS PROPOSE TO PLACE THE MEASURING
EQUIPMENT FOR THE "DENSE, 3-D STRONG MOTION NETWORK"

ON APARTMENT BUILDINGS RATHER THAN CONSTRUCT SPECIAL SITES FOR IT. SOVIET COCHAIRMAN OF WG 10.04 NOTES THAT HIS AUTHORITY ONLY INCLUDES RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION. COOPERATION ON THE NETWORK WOULD BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF SUB-PROJECT 2.2.

C) WG 10.06: IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTOCOL SIGNED AT THE FIRST SESSION OF 10.06 WG SOVIETS PROPOSE TO ADD TO THE THEME 10.0602 A SUB-PROJECT, 2.1 ENTITLED "MANAGEMENT OF NEW TOWN DEVELOPMENT", WHICH WOULD INCLUDE MODERN METHODS OF PROGRAMMING AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF NEW TOWNS AND INHABITED AREAS, THE APPLICATION OF SYSTEMS ANALYSIS, MATHEMATICAL METHODS AND COMPUTERS IN URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING."

3. FINANCIAL CONDITIONS (APPENDIX 9 TO DRAFT PROTOCOL): SOVIETS PROPOSE THAT THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF EACH WORKING GROUP BE THE PRINCIPLE "RECEIVING SIDE PAYS". ALL OTHER DELEGATION AND SPECIALIST TRIPS WOULD BE ON PRINCIPLE "SENDING SIDE PAYS".

4. MEDICAL SERVICE (APPENDIX 10 TO DRAFT PROTOCOL): THE SOVIETS WANT US SIDE TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROVIDING MEDICAL COVERAGE FOR ALL SOVIET DELEGATIONS VISITING THE US UNDER THE HOUSING AGREEMENT, INCLUDING THOSE TRAVELING UNDER WG 10.01. SOVIETS UNCLASSIFIED

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POINT OUT THAT ALL US VISITORS TO SOVIET UNION ARE COVERED BY THE SOVIET MEDICAL SYSTEM AND THEY REQUEST SIMILAR TREATMENT AS A MATTER OF RECIPROCITY.

5. EMBASSY HAS NOT YET RECEIVED US DRAFT REPORTS FOR WG 10.02 AND 10.03. FIRE RELATED PROBLEMS HAVE APPARENTLY CAUSED BACKLOG OF POUCHES TO EMBASSY. WE RECOMMEND THAT HANCOCK BRING COPIES OF THESE REPORTS WITH HER TO MOSCOW.

6. FOR EUR/SOV: PLEASE TELEPHONE CONTENTS OF THIS TELEGRAM TO US EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TILA MARIA DE HANCOCK AT HUD, TEL: 202-755-7058.
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